

A new way of life

There is much teaching and preaching on radio and television today about the presence of God, but unfortunately much of it is done from the position of us being under the Old Covenant. Under the Old Covenant the people went to meet God at the temple. They had no idea what it meant for God to live in them vitally united as one by His Spirit, and the tragedy of this today is that many born-again have no idea of what it means either.

Just listen to the sermons as well as the songs that we hear, and note how most believers usually talk of "God coming to bless them," "His Spirit or presence showing up," and "God visiting their church services or coming by to help them." If this is what most born again believers believe, then we must conclude that the most regular "visitor" in their church services on Sundays and Wednesday nights is God.

Can you see that this type of thinking is from the same position as the people under the Old Covenant? Although we say that we believe Christ lives in us, we unconsciously believe that God is somewhere other than united vitally with us.

Christians often talk of coming into [God's Kingdom](#) presence especially during praise and worship service, but have you read anywhere in the New Testament after Jesus was raised from the dead about believers coming or going into the presence of God?

The cross of Calvary distinctly divides the Old Covenant from the New, but if we are ignorant about what God has done for us in Christ, we will not be able to distinguish between the two. As glorious as the law and the prophets and were, they merely pointed to [the New Covenant](#) where all is fulfilled in Christ.

There is an infinite amount of difference between the New and the Old Covenant. For starters, the Old Covenant with its sacrifices and offerings was a type or shadow of the New Covenant, and only covered the sins of man, but did nothing about the sin nature in him. New Covenant was ratified with the precious blood of the Son of God forever-putting away man's sins and transgressions, and thus ushering in a new and living way.

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